

REMARKS

Page 1 of the disclosure has been revised under Rule 5.1(a)(ii) PCT in order to identify documents designated D1 and D2.

In the claims, we can provide the following with respect to the claims submitted herewith:

Claim 1 replaces claim 1 as filed;

Claim 2 replaces claim 2 as filed;

Claims 3 to 7 remain unchanged;

Claims 8 to 13 replace claims 8 and 9 as filed;

Claims 14 to 22 are the same as claims 10 through 18 as originally filed;

Claim numbering and dependencies have been modified appropriately.

The independent claims have been rewritten to define the present invention in terms of a method and system for forwarding packets through a communication system wherein internetworking service functions are provided to multiple users, and multiple forwarding tables are used to determine which isolated realm is used to forward the packets to the end user. The realm identity is contained in the source information contained in the packet header.

It is respectfully submitted that the prior art made of record by the Examiner does not relate to multiple forwarding tables and a system where routing and forwarding are separate functions.

Respectfully Submitted,

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